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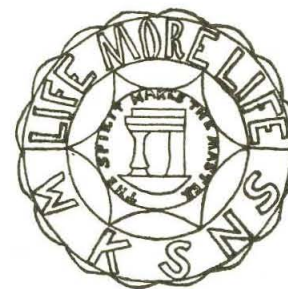
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Vol. II.

BOWLING GREEN, KY., OCTOBER, 1911.

No. 10

Extracts From the Alumni Address

BY HON. L. P. TANNER.

Look for a moment at our State, nestling in the center of the broad union of States, bordered on the west by the Mississippi River and on the north by the Ohio. From the level fields of the western portion, three or four hundred feet above the level of the Gulf or Mexico, there is a gradual rise which reaches its culmination in the eastern section in the Cumberland Mountains, sixteen hundred feet above the level of the sea, and from the lofty apex and slopes of this mountain range, whose numerous peaks are bulging with untold mineral wealth, begin the sources of seven important and navigable rivers, that form an internal drainage system of the State, all of which empty their tributary waters into the gentle Ohio, to be afterwards borne to the gulf by the "Father of waters," the great and turbid Mississippi.

From its earliest history, when the title to the wonderful valley of the Mississippi was questioned by England, France and Spain, the position of Kentucky was of vast importance from the fact that its borders commanded the navigation of the Mississippi for over fifty miles and the Ohio, its most important tributary, for more than seven hundred miles. These, with the seven rivers already mentioned, give to the State a navigable river frontage of over four thousand miles, exceeding that of any other State in the galaxy of States.

It is said that the Garden of Eden had four rivers to water its territory and to nurture and gladden its flowers and vegetation and that it was a good place in which to dwell. Kentucky has seven rivers for the same purpose and the additional purpose of carrying its varied products from its fields, manufactories and mines to the marts of the world where labor finds its just reward. The Garden of Eden possessed one woman of rare beauty. Kentucky has them by the hundred thousands, each of whom would adorn a throne and is capable of ruling a kingdom.

We claim it to be the most magnificent dwelling place prepared for man's abode. A veritable ideality. An un-paragoned principality where womanhood is at its zenith and manhood above par. The *ne plus ultra* of abiding places, and habitat *sans pareil*. Sun-kissed and climate blest, the crowning glory and supernal culmination of nature's effort, it offers greater rewards for merit, labor and investment and the surest returns for them of any known spot on the habitable globe. Yet it has not reached the climax of its glory or usefulness.

A social condition is commonly the result of circumstances. New conditions and changed circumstances confront us. Our history is an expanding miracle. Our duty well performed leads to the millennial harvest. There is labor for us all to perform. The Kentuckian of the twentieth century must adapt himself to the twentieth century. This is a commercial age fraught with new problems that will require our best thought for proper solution, but which when solved aright bring a greater glory and enlarge the scope of human usefulness. In this new era Kentucky enjoys many advantages that must be utilized. It is rich in soil and mineral resources. It has an abundance of iron ores most favorably placed with reference to fuel, flux and geographical position. It has extensive deposits of superior clays fit for all the uses to which clay is put, awaiting the hand of the artisan to enrich. In this respect it is only a little less rich than the State of Ohio, which leads all the States

in clay productions, amounting to many millions of dollars annually.

Immense coal fields in the east and west sections of the state contain an almost inexhaustible supply of that mineral. It is estimated that five counties, alone, in the eastern field contain one billion and five hundred million tons of coal. This number is so vast that one cannot grasp its meaning without some kind of comparison. It means that there is enough coal in these five counties to supply the entire lake trade, now being supplied by Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia, for over one hundred and fifty years. If we assume the coal shipped from Pittsburg down the Ohio river to be five million tons per year, and it is less, we then see that these five counties could supply that trade for over three hundred years.

The history of the Southern States begins with adventure and discovery when the advance of the Moslem had closed the Mediterranean Sea to the wealth of the East and new routes were sought to Cathay and Nippon, and from that time on events in the historic drama of that section have moved rapidly. It is curious to note that the Panama Canal project was under discussion as far back as the time of Phillip II, of Spain, and two engineers were sent out to examine and report on the practicability of the establishment of same. They found such overwhelming obstacles and such dangers that the King ordered that, in the future, no one should attempt or even propose this undertaking, on penalty of death. Later it was proclaimed by this King that it would be an "impious violation of the Divine Will to unite two oceans which the Creator of the world had separated." Still its construction has been the quest and dream of navigators from the time Vasco Nunez de Balboa first saw the majestic Pacific, in 1513, but it remained for our generation to construct it. With the completion of this canal the nation must have the South, and this need guarantees the development of its wonderful resources, and with that development comes its potentiality in trade and commerce. Beyond the limits of

this Southern Gulf lies the grand division of South America, to which the waves of the mighty seas, as they dash against its shores, say, come. There are fewer people in South America than in any other grand division, except Australia, and with its diversified resources, variety of climate, vast and fertile areas, it offers unlimited opportunities and large returns for industrial development and to investors.

The old story of those charming times when Spain was in her glory and at the height of power and conquest, acknowledging but one rival as mistress of the seas, possesses a charm which still holds and delights us who are of the race of pioneers and who never tire of the story of man's conquest of the wilderness. Those South American countries, which were settled by the Spaniard and where the necessities of life were so abundant and easily obtained, for many centuries felt no need for foreign commerce and sought not the profits to be derived from prolific products. They represented old Spain; the Spain found by the Moors or Saracens; the Spain which Washington Irving saw, chivalrous and unpractical. They had as much beauty, their people the same Andalusian charm, and year for year, since the time of Columbus, they can show as much romance and diplomacy as existed beyond the Pyrenees in the days of Spanish splendor and supremacy. Yet, within the last few decades the foreign spirit of commercialism has invaded these resourceful countries and they now promise large additions to the world's commerce. The growth and prosperity of the South American republics has been amazing within the last few years. For instance, the city of Valparaiso has increased its population over one hundred per cent within the last ten years, while other places have enjoyed almost as remarkable growth. This is but natural, and they are but awakening to the spirit of the times and preparing for the fulfillment of their mission. With every variety of climate, which in each locality changes but little, fertile soils, dense primitive forests, coffee, corn, sugar, cotton and numerous other useful agricultural products, rich stores of valuable minerals, numerous deep and wide rivers, the Amazon being deep

enough and wide enough to admit ocean steamers for a thousand miles from its mouth, there is no reason why this remarkable division should not contribute a large share to the commerce of the world.

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Commencement, 1911

School occasions are likely to become of a stereotyped form, and as such to be devoid of interest. A happy feature of the programs rendered at the Normal is their spiciness and varying interest. The Commencement Exercises of 1911 from the first program to the last, were characterized by intensity of interest, as all who came back to their Alma Mater will testify.

On Sunday evening, July 16, the Baccalaureate Sermon was preached in the new auditorium by Rev. Frank Thomas, of Louisville, a former citizen of our town. The subject of his able and inspiring sermon was: "The Dreams of Youth." Music for the occasion was furnished by the class in music and the choir of the First Presbyterian Church. Despite the inclemency of the weather, a large crowd of students and citizens attended.

Wednesday morning, July 19, at 10 o'clock, the Elementary Class of twenty-eight held their graduating exercises and received their diplomas. The following was the program:

"Primitive Man," Miss Lottie McClure.

"When Knighthood Was in Flower," W. L. Matthews.

"The Call of the Wild," Miss Lillian Winkler.

"Back to the Soil," H. W. Loy.

The Junior Class of eighteen was graduated Wednesday evening at 8.15 o'clock. The program follows:

"Modern Courses of Study vs. the Three R's," Miss Bessie Beck.

"How Ideals Are Made and Perpetuated," Miss Ora Lee Markham.

"The Passing of Individualism," F. C. Grise.

"A Vision of Better Things," M. C. Ford.

Thursday morning at regular chapel time many an old student who had come back for a visit told why he had not been elected President of the United States or chosen postmaster. Somehow, experience meetings are often necessary, and always pleasing to hear in the Normal. Some of the students of the present time gave vent to Edmund Burke oratory ere leaving for vacation or work in the field. There is a feeling of sadness that nearly always comes to a student on the last day, especially when he sees the copious tears shed by sentimental lovers who are doomed to separation for a few weeks. Anyway, no one laughs if he perceives a large, round tear in the eye of his neighbor.

At 10 a.m. Thursday, July 20, the Alumni Association met with Miss Reid as President, and the annual address was delivered by the Hon. L. P. Tanner, of Owensboro. As extracts from the address appear elsewhere in this issue, it is unnecessary to speak of its merits—it hath a tongue of its own. The Alumni Association met in business session at 2.30 p.m. Thursday. Miss Mattie Reid was chosen President; Prof. J. L. Harmon, Vice President; Miss Nellie Smith, Secretary, for the ensuing year.

The last public program for the year was rendered on Thursday evening at 8.15. The Senior Class, numbering twenty-eight, held their graduating exercises, with the following program:

"The Oregon Plan," C. W. Bailey.

"Pastoral Poetry," Miss Mable Mercer.

Annual Class Address, Hon. John Mitchell, ex-President of the American Federation of Labor.

Awarding of Diplomas, Dean A. J. Kinnaman.

Resume, Pres. H. H. Cherry.

We had long been looking forward to the address by the great labor leader, and were by no means disappointed. His address, "The Ideals, Philosophy and Purpose of the Trades' Union," was a clarion-call for greater equality in our system of labor.

Immediately after this program, the Alumni Association adjourned to the Y. M. C. A. Building, where the annual banquet was held. It is said that some old-time oratory was thoroughly aired on this occasion.

In summing up the work of Commencement Week, it is hard to tell just what thing was best, for every feature had its value. After all, we can have no great ending of the school year without having previously had a successful year of daily work. Reasoning on this premise, we may safely say that Commencement as a thermometer indicates a great warmth of enthusiasm, with no prospects of cooler weather.

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The Seniors' Picnic

It was a happy thought that found lodgment in the fertile brains of Misses Nellie Smith and Katesie Bailey; and since to think is to act has become a habit with them, this thought was soon put into action, and the "All Seniors' Picnic" was the result.

The announcement was made that all seniors would leave the old Normal grounds at 6 o'clock on Tuesday evening of Commencement Week for a few hours in the beautiful grove at Glen Lily. The following seniors, chaperoned by their leader, Dr. Kinnaman, and his wife, responded to the announcement: Misses Worthington, Crenshaw, Davis, Mercer, Bailey, Jarboe, Proctor, Ray, Stroud, Stith, Barnhill, Northern, Franklin, Collins, and Smith; Mesdames Hurt, Barnes, Napier, and Redman; Messrs. Seay, Bailey, Smith, Hornback, Napier, Hoover, Hurt, Taylor, Allen, Bunch, and Marshall.

The hay wagon with all on board left Bowling Green at the appointed time. It would require more space than is allotted this article to recount the brilliant remarks, the many witticisms, the dramatic performances that occasioned so much merriment on the way out.

Everybody was happy and everybody had a good time.

The first half hour after our arrival at Glen Lily was spent in conversation, exploration, and, shall I say, aviation? One's imagination does not have to be very elastic to transform one of those very high swings into an aeroplane. Then came the lunch, which all pronounced delightful. After the lunch, speeches were suggested by Dr. Kinnaman. The party retaliated by calling on him first. In his speech, Dr. Kinnaman favored the idea of making this outing a permanent feature of each Commencement Week hereafter. Quite a number made speeches endorsing the suggestion. To that effect a motion was introduced and carried without a dissenting vote. Since no enterprise is complete without a leader, Miss Nellie Smith was chosen temporary chairman, and motions were entertained for permanent officers, which resulted in the election of Miss Sue Proctor as President; Miss Mary Jarboe, as Vice President, and Mr. Will Taylor as Treasurer. Following the election of officers, we had what is called in Methodist lore a "Love Feast," in which everybody told how much he had enjoyed the outing and how he would look forward to a like occasion year after year, when in a wholly informal way he could enjoy the society of those whom he had known and loved in former years, and the parting from whom has only drawn closer the ties that bind.

The departure of Dr. and Mrs. Kinnaman, necessitated by the strenuous days for them just ahead, was the signal for all to go. However, it was with regret that we said good-by for a year to Glen Lily with its magnificent groves and hospitable proprietor.

It should not be necessary to urge Seniors (by that term we mean all persons who have graduated from the Classic and Scientific courses of the Southern Normal and the Life Course of the State Normal) to come and be with us. Some one has said, "The germ of the best patriotism is the love a man has for the home he inhabits, for the soil he tills, for the trees that give him shade," and the little hills that stand in his pathway. Seniors, might not the same with equally as much truth be said of your college home?

The Southern Normal sent out many sons and daughters who have honored her in filling large places in the history of our state and country. We might mention many names that have illustrated her worth in the professions, in the field and in the forum. It is to these that we extend a most cordial invitation to return. We need you. Will you, you who have climbed so far up the hill, who have gone so far and learned so much on your journey of life, kindly look back and smile upon us just setting out on our pilgrimage? Will you come and by your presence cheer us who are toiling over the roughness of the first ascent?

The scenes may have shifted some—may not be just as you left them; however, you will be proud of the growth. New faces have replaced some of those you loved in both faculty and student-body; but the same spirit abides. So come, all of you, and be with us next Commencement Week, and go with us to Glen Lily, so that our picnic may be in truth *All Seniors'*.

MRS. T. H. NAPIER.

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The Opening

A larger crowd than ever before gathered in the chapel of the new Auditorium to attend the opening of the fall term on the morning of September 12.

The exercises began with the singing of the two old familiar songs, "Holy, Holy, Holy" and "Onward, Christian Soldiers." The devotional part was conducted by Dr. S. M. Miller, of the M. E. Church, South. Then followed greetings to the new students by the old students and President Cherry. In his enthusiastic talk, Pres. Cherry made every person feel the force of this thought: "Real reform is personal—in the individual—and if that be true, it silently exerts an influence for good." Loud cheering greeted the "Normal March," rendered by Prof. Franz J. Strahm. The institution is greatly favored by having this grand master of music remain another year. Greetings were given by Col.

and Mrs. J. M. Guilliams and Mr. Ivan Barnes. (It is with the deepest regrets that we lose these three from our midst. Col. Guilliams was one of our strongest and most highly esteemed teachers, and his loss is greatly felt. He leaves to take the superintendency of the Public Schools of St. Petersburg, Florida. His wife has always manifested an interest in the school. Mr. Barnes, three years a member of the student-body and a graduate of the Intermediate course, is a very active and enthusiastic young man. He goes with Col. Guilliams as a teacher of science.) The organization was then taken up by Dr. A. J. Kinnaman. Classes met only for assignment of next day's work.

The student-body is very promising this fall, a large per cent over last fall, and crowds are coming in on every train. Many of the old students have returned, eager to take up their work again. There are representatives from all parts of Kentucky and from many other states. The significance of the W. K. S. N. S. is being fully realized.

We are glad to see the familiar faces of the faculty, for in no other place can be found stronger, better-prepared teachers who are as able to present their line of work. And with their co-operation we intend to make the year 1911-1912 the very best year in the history of the institution.

A STUDENT.

The Societies

Soon after the opening of school, the students were summoned to their respective places for the organization of the literary societies. The following are subject to the pleasures, trials and temptations which usually await Seniors—Mabel Squire, Susanna Pickering, Rosa Lou Ditto, Avis Hines, Gertrude Grimsley, Katherine Hawthorne, Gabie Robertson, Elsa McGinnis, Lena Dulaney, Mary McDaniel, Lula Rigsby, Della Combest, Arleen Mannix, Lottie Payne, Verna Robertson, Gordon Wilson, E. E. Bratcher, S. C. Summers, D. P. Morris, B. H. Mitchell, T. H. Likens, F. D. Stone, Oscar

Shemwell. Together with their efficient officers, Gordon Wilson, President, and Gertrude Grimsley, Secretary, they are expecting great things in the coming year. Other than the regular society work, there will be drills in Parliamentary Law, finals, socials and perhaps a congress after the mid-winter term.

The officers of the Juniors are, Woodfin Hutson, President, and Maude Shultz, Secretary. Below is given a list of the Juniors, who, under the leadership of Prof. Green, will become accustomed to the experiences characteristic to the lives of Juniors: Eula Denton, Heady Dunagan, Clara Denton Royster, Etta Potter, Mrs. Josie Hancock, Genie Armstrong, Mary Sargent, Jennie Lynd Hodges, Woodfin Hutson, Marie Louise Crow, Anna D. Shanahan, Zona Lee Searce, Mayme G. Paris, Garnett Barnes, Nonie Carson, Ruth Campbell, Andrew Parker, T. H. Barton, Nilla May Hancock, Ellen Rutter, I. L. Miller, Maude Shultz, George Montgomery, Mary Lee Taylor, Charles Taylor, Beulah Hester, Eulah Hester, Bertie Layman, Maybel Heal, Hazel McCluskey, Eva McKindree.

The following are the officers of Kit-Kat Society, I: Claude Croft, President; Catherine Combest, Secretary. II: Elmo Thomas, President; Adeline Palmore, Secretary.

The Pyerrians have the "Honourable" Hoover for President and Miss Nellie Mims for Secretary.

Let us say a word, in passing, to you new students who have just entered. You are a goodly number and will make yourselves felt in one way or another. The literary societies are organizations for the students, and they represent a phase of development that is essential to each and every student. So join one of the societies and become a part of those organizations which help to make the life and spirit of a school.

Book Notices

King's Elements of Woodwork. By Charles A. King, Di-

rector of Manual Training, Eastern High School, Bay City, Mich. Cloth, 12mo, 156 pages, with illustrations. Price, 60 cents. American Book Company, Cincinnati and Chicago.

This book contains ninety-nine half-tone and line engravings; it deals with the growth, qualities and uses of the different kinds of wood, and the manufacture and care of lumber, from the first steps in logging to kiln drying. There are chapters upon the selection, care, and use of the important types of woodworking tools, the manufacture and use of glue and sandpaper, and the different materials and methods used in staining and finishing woods. If facility is acquired to care for and use the tools described in this book, little difficulty will be experienced in the use of other and more complex tools of the same type. This book is adapted to the student of manual training, the apprentice and the amateur woodworker, and should find a place in every institution in which elementary woodwork is taught.

Patri's White Patch. By Angelo Patri, Principal in the Public Schools of New York City. Cloth, 12mo, 216 pages, with illustrations. Price, 40 cents. American Book Company, New York, Cincinnati and Chicago.

Stoltze's Lose Blatter. By Erna M. Stoltze, Author of "Bunte Geschichten." Cloth, 16mo, 127 pages. Price, 30 cents. American Book Company, New York, Cincinnati and Chicago.

A collection of interesting short stories, not fairy tales, compiled for beginners in German. It contains a few riddles by Schiller and Goethe, some tales from German mythology, and a few Christmas and Easter legends. A set of questions based on the text provides material for conversation, and full notes and a complete vocabulary give all needed assistance.

NeCollins's Glee and Chorus Book. Edited by J. E. NeCollins. Cloth, 8vo, 208 pages. Price, 65 cents. American Book Company, New York, Cincinnati and Chicago.

Collins's Second Course in Algebra. By Joseph V. Collins, Professor of Mathematics, State Normal School, Stevens Point, Wis. Cloth, 12mo, 313 pages, with cuts and diagrams. Price, 85 cents. American Book Company, New York, Cincinnati and Chicago.

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W. H. Jones and Miss Ruby Barnet are having great success at Outland School, Calloway County. This school is the first consolidated district of the country, three small schools having been united. The census enrollment is 117, but already our two good Normal friends have enrolled 130, and the school was never so prosperous.

Mr. J. O. Rickman, of Graves County, has been attending institutes this summer, to all outward appearances an agent for teachers' journals, but we are told that his true purpose has been, and will ever be until,—the location of a future mistress of his home. Success to you, Rick!

J. W. O'Dell, principal of Laconto School, Inverness, Fla.
Jewell Hawkins, Shive School, Warren County.

Virginia Bland and Leslie Green, Smith's Grove School, Warren County.

Bessie Pinckley and Chloe Reeves, Tompkinsville Graded and High School.

Hilda McClusky, Madisonville Schools.

Lorena Waddle, Collett School, Warren County.

Marie Gore, Second Grade, Mayfield Schools.

Jake Farris, Junior, 1910, and Elizabeth Drake, Senior, 1910, Columbia, Ky.

Miss Jane McConnell, of Jordan, Fulton County, Ky., an ex-Normalite, was married to Mr. Andrew Burrus, of Woodland Mills, Tenn., July 11. Our folks have never been known to die old maids and bachelors.

Miss Prentice Turner is having a successful school at Corinth, Calloway County.

LITERARY



PHIL. H. SEAY, 7/14

THE MICROBE'S SERENADE.

BY G. IVAN BARNES.

A lovelorn microbe met by chance
At a swagger bacterial dance
A proud bacilian belle, and she
Was first of the animalculae.
Of organisms saccharine
She was the protoplasmic queen;
The microscopical pride and pet
Of the biological smartest set.
And so this infinitesimal swain
Evolved this pleading, low refrain—
"Oh, lovely metamorphic germ,
What futile scientific term
Can well describe your many charms?
Come to these embryonic arms,
Then hie away to my cellular home
And be my little diatome."

His epithellum beamed with love!
He swore by molecules above
She'd be his own gregarious mate
Or else he would disintegrate.
This amorous mite of a parasite
Pursued the germ both day and night,
And neath her window often played
This Darwin-Huxley serenade—
"Oh! most primordial type of spore,
I never met your like before;
And, though a microbe has no heart,
From you, sweet germ, I'll never part;
We'll sit beneath some fungus growth,
Till dissolution claims us both."

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A TRIBUTE TO THE EFFICIENCY OF THE LABOR OF THE OFFICE FORCE.

ANONYMOUS.

From this you will no doubt infer
I was behind the scenes
Where the Faculty in meeting were
Devising ways and means.

The President then did lift his voice
And asked them every need,
Whilst the Faculty did much rejoice
To get his ready heed.

Dr. M. arose—said he, "Forsooth,
My corn needs plowing much,
And President C. it is the truth,
It's filled with weeds and such."

Said the President then in quick reply,
"I'll do it at a turn;
So Dr. Mutchler, don't you sigh,
I'll give the job to Byrn."

Miss Caffee stood, "A boon!" she cried,
"My children need more vim;
Tin rattles and some drums, beside,
Are what I want for them."

The President here did face the crowd
And a crisis, too, I think.
Then serenely spoke in accents proud,
"Miss Schneider'll fix them in a wink."

"I have some speeches," said Mr. Craig,
"And, sir, they are just beauts,
And you will help me now, I beg,
To get some institutes."

The President bowed, "Quite right," he said,
"At assisting I never shirk.
So let us now go straight ahead,
Miss Mattie will do the work."

"I badly need," said Dr. K.,
 "A chauffeur for my boat;
 To guide it on its onward way
 And keep the thing afloat."

The President spoke, "'Tis quickly done,
 And done right here and now;
 Miss Adams is the very one
 To steer its darting prow."

And so each need was thus brought out,
 And each in turn supplied—
 Right here the President faced about,
 And this is what he cried:

"My want I've saved until the last,
 The hardest one to fill:
 Immediately there must be passed
 An Appropriation Bill."

The Faculty in unison
 Declared to him, of course,
 That everything would straight be done,
 If it took the Office Force.

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UNDER CUPID'S WINGS.

A philosopher (one A. M. Stickles) on being asked what was the first thing necessary to win the love of woman, answered, "Opportunity." Opportunity presented herself to him in the person of Miss Laura G. Chambers, of Louisville, Ky.

Mr. O. G. Byrn will not now object to the term "Byrns," as Miss Nancy Shehan has entered partnership with him for better or for worse.

Mrs. Eugene Arnold, of London, Ky. (once known as Miss Clyde DeVore), assures us it is much nicer to instruct one pupil than many.

The others who have succumbed to Cupid's darts are:
 Mr. N. F. Lee and Miss Maude Wright, of Bowling Green, Ky. Their future home is in Mississippi.

Mr. H. G. Guffey, Miss Willie Fogle. They did their courting at the Normal.

Mr. Alfred Crabbe and Miss Bertha Gardner, both "Life people"; Mr. A. J. Lynn, Miss Durbin; Mr. E. H. Micks, Miss Myrtle Crawford; Mr. Woodfin Hutson, Mrs. Nellie Hartsfield; Mr. Chester Turner, Miss Annie Chatham; Mr. Fred Morse, Miss Lona Slayton; Mr. Martin C. Wallis, Miss Gertrude Ryan; Mr. Ernest Minton, Miss Daisy Wilson.

The ELEVATOR offers the heartiest congratulations.

(We wish this list were longer. Send us all the items of like nature that you know.—ED.)

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A popular country preacher one day took several of his young lady parishioners out fishing. An inquisitive farmer in passing observed: "You seem to be a great fisherman."

"True," replied the minister, "I'm a fisher of men."

"Well, then, you sure have the right kind of bait," retorted the farmer as he walked away.—*Ex.*

Mr. Wilson: Say, Miss Hines, what if grass-widows had to feed on grass?

Miss Hines: Then you would never have to shave, would you?

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HOWDY!

After a long vacation that was thoroughly enjoyed by the editor, we are back again ready for "business at the same old stand." We hope your vacation has been profitable to you and that you take up your share of the burden for the year just beginning with a clear mind and a merry heart. If the load seems heavy this year, let's be willing to bear it cheerfully, realizing that the other fellow's shoulders may be as tender as ours. THE ELEVATOR looks the new school year

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squarely in the face and has a heart that palpitateth not, relying on the hearty support of its earnest band of subscribers.

FOR HEADS OF ALL THICKNESSES.

Many times has the editor written concerning our advertisers, but it is a joy to introduce the subject again. Just now we are beginning a year that will add increased honors to THE ELEVATOR as an advertising medium if *all* the student-body will help. Our advertisers have always treated us with the profoundest courtesy and have showed faith in our paper. It's up to us to see that every advertiser is amply repaid for his kindness. It is not enough to trade with an advertiser,—one more thing is necessary, *i.e.*, to remind him of the fact that his ad. was seen in THE ELEVATOR. Many of the loyal students last year aided us very much by being thoughtful. Shall we have to ask, yea, beg, you to help THE ELEVATOR by patronizing its advertisers? Let us hope, on the contrary, that the merchants will be so pleased with our means of advertising that they will gladly seek us and not have to be earnestly solicited to place an ad. with us. Students, take the matter to heart and do, as you always do,—your very best.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

While we are soliciting, allow us another *want* space. Our subscription list is far below what it should be. Many are in arrears and it becomes necessary to drop them from our list. Scores of new students have never subscribed. Won't some one, yes, everyone, help to get the subscription list in the best condition possible? Fifty cents is a small sum, yet it taketh only two such to make a dollar, and the bulk soon becomes considerable, if all contribute their mite.

MARRIAGES.

Have you seen the column presided over by Cupid? Does it not seem that our ranks are soon to be annihilated if we

do not shield ourselves from the piercing arrows of the little love-god? The editor, with a waste-basket full of good wishes and a purse full of names of subscribers in arrears, extends the very heartiest congratulations.

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THE NEW STUDENT.

Don't let the new student who has just entered grow homesick! Butt in and get acquainted with him; show him the "ins" and "outs" of the school work; make him feel like he did the time he went to grandpa's and all the folks saw to it that he had a good time. If you stand back on account of a false modesty that counsels against the divine art of butting in, the new student may lose heart and go home. Show that you are a Kentuckian.

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THE INITIATIVE.

Reports from the field show that our boys and girls are taking time by the topknot and leading opportunity captive. Most of the people in West Kentucky that are introducing new ideas and ideals and are really stirring up public sentiment are Normalites. Sanitary schoolhouses, private drinking-cups, school libraries, co-operation with the home are no longer theories in Kentucky, thanks to our good students.

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From the following conversation, which took place between one of the young men of the Senior Class and one of the Junior girls, it is evident that these classes devote much time to social affairs:

Mr. —: May I escort you to the next lecture?

Miss —: *Thank you*; I would like very much to go, but—really—I can't, as I haven't any ticket.

"Doctor," said the author, "do you think I write too much for my health?"

"No," replied the pill-bags man, "but you write too much for your reputation."



PER THE JOKESMITHS.

If a cow can jump over the moon, reckon there's anybody in the faculty that could Leiper?

Miss Potter: Are you fond of corn on the ear?

Miss Mannix: I never had one there.

We hear that there are girls in school too modest to do improper fractions. Prof. Alex. might explain.

Prof. Stickles, in History Class: "If the Pilgrims landed at Waterloo in 1607, where did Eng-land?" Don't worry, he's just married.

Miss Rigsby: What kind of a husband would you advise me to get?

Miss McGinnis: You get a single man and let the husbands alone.

Miss Grey: Why, Johnny, when I was your age I knew all of my A B C's.

Johnny: Yes, but I 'spects you had a better teacher than I have.

Mr. Evans: I made two calls this afternoon, and I must have left my umbrella at the last place I called.

Mr. Morris: How do you know but what you left it at the first place?

Mr. Evans: Because, that is where I got it.

You Can't Always Sometimes Tell.

Mr. Byrn: In what year were you born?

Old Maid (registering): In the year 1870.

Mr. Byrn: Before or after Christ.

If a tailor can press two suits of clothes in one hour, how many can a printing press?

By the way, I can't tell why we see so little of Mr. Byrn these days, can you?

A Matter of Precaution.

Miss Hodges: Why don't you praise this sausage?

Miss Ditto: I'm afraid it might wag its tail.

Judge: What's the charge against this man?

Officer: Stealing nine bottles of beer, your honor.

Judge: Discharged. I can't make a case out of nine bottles.

Mr. Hutson: My wife married me for my money.

Mr. Thomas: Well, she earned it.

Miss Garth: My shopping wasn't very satisfactory, today.

Miss Robertson: Yes, as usual, I suppose you were trying to get something for nothing.

Miss Garth: Well, yes. I was trying to get something as a birthday gift for you.

The latest rumors are that a matrimonial idea, made at McHenry as he left the train, has soaked through Prof. Marshall's hair, penetrated a fracture in the skull, and is now percolating through the brain-tissue, seeking a vacant cell for a permanent location.

Mr. Summers: Miss Robertson, do you like "My Old Kentucky Home?"

Miss R.: Yes—er—but I am sure the new one will be more delightful.

S. S. Teacher: Mr. Hoover, what is the meaning of "mene, mene, tekell, upharsin"?

Mr. Hoover: "My God! my God! why hast thou forsaken me?"

Prof. Green: What did your wife say when you were out so late last night?

Hutson: I don't know; she hasn't finished telling it all to me yet.

Wilson: You are the breath of life to me.

Avis: Well, suppose you hold your breath awhile.

Mr. Likens has discovered that "ab Gallia" was the Latin way of saying "By golly."

Cherry: Byrn has joined the silent army.

Reid: Dead?

Cherry: No; married.

Woman's a mass of flurry and fuss; man's a bunch of worry and cuss.

What is the difference between a hobble-skirt and a harem-skirt? The hobble-skirt has but one leg to it.

Barnes: Let's go back to our room; it's a whole hour until supper.

Taylor: Oh, no; let's wait; that's only a half hour each.

If you expect to rate as a gentleman, do not expect-to-rate on the floor.

As Prof. Green came down the street he met Miss Jennie Lynn Hodges, crying bitterly.

"And what, pray," said the Prof., "aileth thee that thou dost so bewail?"

With a sob Miss H. replied: "In running across the street I lost my chewing-gum, and the steam-roller has rolled over it."

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Normal News

A Capital Idea.

The last day of the Calloway County Teachers' Institute this year was called Children's Day. Numbers of teachers brought large delegations of pupils from their schools. The County Superintendent, Miss Grogan, had offered a dictionary to the school having the largest representation in proportion to the enrollment; a bookcase to the second best. The first prize was won by Outland School, taught by W. H. Jones and Miss Ruby Barnett; the second by McCuiston School, teacher, Lois Boatright. All these good people are Normalites and we are proud of them. The chief features of the program that day were: Address on the School Improvement League, by Mrs. Chas. B. Weaver, of Louisville; a talk on Sanitation, by the instructor, Supt. R. M. Shipp, of Winchester, and a number of recitations by the pupils themselves. Everyone pronounced the day a great success, and Children's Day has been made a permanent feature in the Calloway Institute.

J. J. Hornback, Senior, 1911, principal South Carrollton Schools.

J. R. Kirk (mirabile dictu), parallelograms, frustums, and watermelons at Central City.

P. G. Smith, Senior, 1911, originator of the "Eating-like-Bryan" idea, principal Lewisburg Graded and High School, Logan County.

Ella Wortham, Primary Department, Leitchfield.

May McNeal, Central City.

Carrie Hunt, alias "Shorty," Drakesboro, Butler County.
H. H. Arnold, Ocella, Ga.

J. J. Paul, the "Apostle," Big Clifty, Grayson County.

Caneyville Graded School: W. D. Bratcher, Principal;
E. H. Hicks, Miss Byrd—ail Normalites.

Wickliffe Graded and High School: H. L. Donovan, Superintendent; Blanche Vanmeter, work in High School; Verbel McMullin, Eighth Grade; Mayme Downy, Sixth and Seventh grades; Mary Northern, Fourth and Fifth grades; Lora Goodwin, Second and Third grades; Annie Ray, Primary Department.

Helen Gray, Rineyville, Hardin County.

A few Logan Countians, ex-Normalites: Alleyne Boyd, Antioch; Maude Hankins, Diamond Springs; Jennie Davis, Union Hall; Georgia Kennerly, Schochoh; Jennie Etter, Parson's Camp Ground (has private drinking-cup system and a very enthusiastic class in Nature Study.—Ed.); Annette Dockins, Pleasant Run; Lula Marrs, Post Oak; Cordia Campbell, Stevenson's Chapel; Kathleen Grable, O'Roark; Beulah Daniel, Gordonville; Mae Hall, Gasper River; Mrs. Virginia Redman, English Department, Auburn High School; Ermine Gooch, Red Oak; Jason Goodwin, Homer; Jesse Grise, Deer Lick; Jesse Williams, Jericho; Herman Spencer, Hickory Grove; Corbett McKenney, Spa; Clardy Moore, Walnut Grove; Noble McKenney, Union Grove.

G. C. Morris, ex-editor of THE ELEVATOR, who went West for his health, has so improved that he has entered Colorado College and is getting along nicely.

A. J. Lynn has charge of the Commercial Department in the Ft. Smith, Ark., schools. He says he has 180 boys in his department, but is silent about the girls.

T. R. Jones, McFadden School, Fulton County.

Carrie B. Davis, Milton, Fla.

Iva Rea, Richland School, Hopkins County.

Verta Palmore, Walnut Grove, Metcalfe County.
 Laura Holloway, Cedar Hill, same.
 Nell Usher, Lynnvillle Graded School, Graves County.
 Ida Nance, Farmington Graded School, Graves County.
 H. W. Nichols, "American Demosthenes," Flat Rock, Caldwell County.
 Guy Nichols, his brother, Bethany, same.
 W. W. Chunn, Classic of old S. N. S., Kirksey, Ky.
 Ruth Alexander, Fifth Grade, St. Petersburg, Fla.
 Myrtle Duncan, same school, also Nancy and Wylle McNeal and Betsy Madison.

Wilson Green, of Spencer County, is now in Kentucky University studying agriculture.

Walter Chester, of the Science Department, has entered the Medical College of Vanderbilt University.

Vernon Billington, of Sedalia, Graves County, ex-Normalite, plans to study pharmacy in the State University this year.

Cordell Hull, member of Congress from Tennessee, and a graduate of the old S. N. S., has been chosen by the Alumni Association as annual speaker for next year.

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SENIORS

On the evening of September 23, the Seniors met in the pagoda on Reservoir Hill, and after conducting such business as was necessary, partook of a bounteous feast of watermelons which had been furnished by the gentlemen of the society. Every member of the august body displayed remarkable precosity for their ages in being wise. With

subjects for term finals in hand and watermelon juice on their hands, we adjourned near the wee, small hours of the night.

Saturday evening, October 7, in the Training School Chapel, the aforesaid organization gave its first public program and had as an audience the refugees from the Fair and Forepaugh-Sells Bros.' circus. Considering the extreme youth of the members participating, the program was a success. Here are its main points: Reading, Miss Arleen Manix; Debate, Resolved, That Women Should Be Educated in the Same Subjects as Men, affirmative, Miss Lena Dulaney, negative, Mr. Oscar Shemwell; Free-Hand Sketch, Miss Lula Rigsby; Anything, B. H. Mitchell, Gabie Robertson, E. E. Bratcher and Mary McDaniel; Journal, T. H. Likens, Misses Hines and Garth; Solo, Miss Rosa Lou Ditto.

Reception to Students.

All resident teachers and students held, on the evening of September 29, an informal reception to all non-resident students and teachers. After a short literary and musical program, games were played and refreshments served. Here's hoping that we may have more of such occasions as they serve to bind all parts of the school together.

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true.

I can give you a lift, too, in this life,
Not only you, but your family and wife.
A great many patients come to my door,
Worn and run down, besides feeling sore.
Although I don't use poultice, plaster or pill,
I cure all kinds of shoes, no matter how ill.

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The Opening of the Fall Session.

The annual session of the Western Kentucky State Normal School opened in Vanmeter Hall at 9.20, Tuesday morning, September 12, 1911, with more students present than on the first day of any previous year in the life of the Institution. The attendance is not only larger, but the organization is more complete and the spirit as fine as has ever been known in the Institution. Faculty and students are happy in their work, and are going forward into the scholastic year of 1911-1912 with a determination to make it the most efficient year's work in the life of the school. We are greatly gratified over the present condition and the bright outlook for the future. We can safely promise all persons who enter with us this year the best service we have yet given the public. The increase in attendance during the present scholastic year will be the largest ever experienced in this Institution.

The Second Term, November 21, 1911.

The second term of the Fall Session opens November 21, 1911. This is a most excellent time for students to enter. It is a serious mistake for anyone who contemplates entering school and who can enter at the opening of this term, to wait until after Christmas to begin his educational work. A vast amount of work can be accomplished by beginning at the opening of this term and doing a regular term's work before the beginning of the Mid-Winter Term on January 30, 1912. The school will close on the evening of December 22nd for the holidays, and will resume work at 7.30, Tuesday morning, January 2, 1912.

The Mid-Winter Term.

Most of the public schools of Kentucky will have closed before the opening of the Mid-Winter Term on January 30, 1912. Hundreds of new students will enter the Normal at the beginning of this term. Judging from the correspondence and from reports in the field, the enrollment at the beginning of this term will be the largest ever known in the history of the Institution.

The Fourth Term.

The Spring or Fourth Term opens April 9, 1912. Students can enter at this time and get excellent classification. Persons entering at this time will have an opportunity to remain in school for sixteen weeks before the close of the Normal at the end of the Summer School.